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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Official Action, Examiner has allowed claims 5 to 9 but rejected claims 1 to 4. However, in item 1 of the Official Action, Examiner has indicated that claims 1, 2, 6 and 7 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a).

Given that Examiner had previously indicated in the first Official Action that claim 5 would be allowable if written in independent form. Applicant subsequently amended claim 5 which is now an independent claims on which claims 6 and 7 depend. Applicant therefore assumes that the allowance of claims 5 to 9 as indicated in the Official Action and Office Action Summary, over rides the statement in item 1 of the Official Action that claims 6 and 7 are rejected.

Accordingly, Applicant has cancelled claims 1 to 4 and respectfully submits that the application is now in order for allowance.

Applicant kindly requests to be advised if the abovementioned assumption regarding claims 6 and 7 is in error.

Very respectfully,

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